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Application No.: 09/163,289 Examiner: Schmidt, M.
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Title: DELIVERY CONSTRUCT FOR ANTISENSE NUCLEIC ACIDS
AND METHODS OF USE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed December 24, 2003 (no listed Paper No.), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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| CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8 | |
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TRANSMITTAL SHEET

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application, please find:

1. Response to the Office Action mailed December 24, 2003 (7 pages); and
2. Return Postcard.

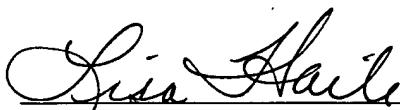
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No fee is believed due in connection with this Response to Office Action. However, if a fee is deemed necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees associated with the filing submitted herewith to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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